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I've braided all Reuben's old trousers and coats up into rugs, and I declare! when the poor man got out in the rain the other day, and wet hisself clean through, there warn't enuff every day clothes in the house for him to shift hisself into, and he had to put on his black trousers and his swaller-tail coat, that he's never made a practice of wearing anywheres except to prayer-meetings and Sundays. Reuben was mad as a bob-tailed dog in fly-time, and sez he, giving the cat a h'ist out of the rocking-cheer, where she'd got curled up for a nap, sez he:

"Mirandy, you'd ort to be ashamed of yourself, a-cutting up them good clothes of laine. And them gray panterloons warn't wore out at all, except a place on the knees and mebby they needed to be resceated." Sez he: "It's lucky that I'm put together solid, you'd braid me into a rug, soal and body, if you could tear me up into strips as you can a pair of panterloons."

And he kicked at that cat again, jest as she was a-gwine to git back into the cheer Strange to me that, when men-folks git mad, they always spit out their spite onto the cat or dog. Jest as if that animal was to blame for my braiding up them britches!

But I was sorry enuff afterward, when Reuben come in from the barn, with his swaller-tail all spattered over with milk; he'd been a-milking, and the cow had took a notion to step into the pail to soak her corns, and the milk had flew all over the coat-tails of the pardner of my joys and sorrors.

It took me two hours, with a sponge and some amomiay, and my eyes and nose watering as if I had the chronical influenza, to scrub that milk off. And then I didn't git it off, for Reuben never could stand still a minnit to have anything done to him, and, as soon as I got a good grab on them tails, and got the sponge sot right to scrub he'd fetch a wisk, and I'd lose my holt intirely.

Margaret Ann, that is our darter from a city school, has got a pile of new ideas brought home with her. Bent's Corner is an old-fashioned place, and the folks don't travel round to any great extent. And naterally we hain't got ahead so fur as some parts of the world. We still think that it ain't nice and pious for a man to have more than one wife to a time, and we shouldn't be likely to elect an absconding Canada tramp of a bank-cashier to be deacon of our meeting-house—not if we knowed about it; and we still think that it looks better not to go a-fishing Sundays.

Margaret Ann, a'most as soon as she got home, begun to complain how old-styled our house looked. It needed refurnishing, and repainting, and repapering, and re—almost everything else. "Why, mama," sez she—she has taken to calling me 'ma' and 'mama' jest as if she was a three-year-old—"you have no idee how superaminated our interior looks. There is nothing asthetick or rershashy about it."

"I should hope not indeed," sez I. "I shouldn't want anything with such a sounding name as them has got, in my insides, if that is what you mean."

"Ma, how dreadfully vulgar you are! If Arabella De Jones should come to seem she would fall into a state of nervous prostration. She is so delicate and refined that she would faint away if she should be in the room with a pair of those dreadful cowhide boots that pa wears, and I have known her to have a spasm when she inhaled the breath of someone who had been eating onions! Oh, she is altogether too ethereal for this mundane spear!"

"Then I should advise her to go to a spear where they don't eat onions," sez I. "Bent's Corner is no place for her."

"But, ma, why can't we fix up our old house?" sez Margaret Ann, a-tipping her head on one side to see how the little top-knot of a curl panned out, she'd been a-winding onto a curling-iron. And full half of the hair in it stuck fast to the iron, and the smell of burnt hair was so strong in the house that I had to burn some coffee on top of the stove to fumigate the air.

"'Twould cost money," sez I, "and yer father can't spare much, this year, on account of that hoss having the heaves and dying, and milk's going down to two cents onto a can."

But Margaret Ann sed that didn't make no difference—we could do the work ourselves. And she talked at me so much and used so many words that had never been aired sense they was put into Webster or the bridge, that I give in. I could have stood out agin words of two syllables; but when they come to be shot at me eight and ten syllables long, I went down before 'em like grass before a four-hoss mowing-machine.

She talked the scheme into her pa in much the same way, and got ten dollars out of him and the liberty to do as she was a-mind to.

We harnessed the old mare into wagon and went over to Smith ville, and got the painter there to mix us some paint, and we bought some room paper, and some red curtains, and some prepared glue, and some varnish, and some tacks with brass heads, and other things too numerous to mention.

We begun on the front-room first. We piled all the furniture into the front-entry, and sot a table agin st the door that was loaded down with a lot of things, and Grandmarm Sawyer's chany set among 'em. That chany set beat anything I ever seed anywhere in the way of chany, and I sot a farm by it.

Margaret Ann put on an old red petticoat of mine over her dress and a blouse of her pa's and tied her head up in a gingham apron, before she went to business. My uniform was one of Reuben's old calico shirts that I had kept for him to wear in haying-time—because anybody sweats so, in haying that it rots the shirt clean to nothing—and put it on outside of my old delaine skirt that I wear when I'm a-washing.

We had the wash bench and two barrels with a board over 'em, to stand upon. I had the barrels and Margaret Ann had the bench.

"Now ma," sez she, dipping her brush into the paint, "you want to dip lightly: give it a little dab agin st the side of the pail, to shake out the superfluent paint, and draw it toward you—so, in this way." And she dabbed, and then she drawned—and, my soul and body, the result was amazing! The paint which was pale-blue, flew and squirted all into Margaret Ann's face and eyes, and she looked like the piece of "spatter-work" that Miss Dinsmore took the premium of twenty-five cents on, at the Smithville cattle-show, last fall. And she grabbed up the tail of that petticoat, which had dipped itself into a pot of black paint that we'd mixed to stripe off with and rubbed it over her counernance, and black and blue was about equally mixed.

"Heaven and earth! Margaret Ann," sez I, "you'll never come clean in the world without b'iling out." And I made a rush toward her, to wipe her off with my apron, and I forgot that I was on them barrels; and the board tilted up and I made a grab to save myself, and down I went into one of them barrels—feet fust, paint brush and all—and the barrel fitted me as well as if the cooper had took my measure.

"Murder!" cried Margaret Ann, running to the door and shouting down the road: "Ma has suicided herself! Help! Help!"

And, in a minnit, Reuben come running in like mad, and Squire Power, which had come over to swap some setting-hens' eggs—and he come in with him.

"Creation of Adam!" sez Reuben, "now there's another good barrel gone to shucks! And I shall have to buy barrels to put my apple-crop into! Twenty cents on a barrel out! Mirandy," sez he "it is strange that a woman as old as you are can't keep herself out of such scrapes like this."

"I guess it'll be a scrape in airnest before I git out," sez I, as I squirmed around and the nails on the inside of the pesky barrel begun to plow into my hide.

"Let's pull her out," sez Squire Power, spitting onto his hands and bracing hisself. "You hold onto the barrel, Wiggins, and I'll extract her jest as the dentist takes out a molder."

And Reuben grabbed the barrel, and the Squire grabbed me. He got me right by that shoulder of mine that I've had the rhumatiz into for nigh onto six year, and, for a minnit, I thought I should be made into two Mirandy Wigginses. I struck out with the hand that had the paint-bruah in it, and the Squire's mouth was the nearest and most convenient opening—and in the brush went, paint and all, and stuffocated him nigh about to death.

"W-o-o-u-g-h!" sez the Squire, squirting out what he had inside of his mouth and throat, and firing it right down the back of my neck, where that shirt of Reuben's had a button off. And he let go of me so suddint, that it upsot Reuben, who was a-holding onto the barrel with all his might.

"Ma! ma!" cried Margaret Ann, "can't you kinder screw yourself round and get out?"

"You might try it on yerself," sez I, feeling mad enuff to break something right in two with the poker, "and see how you liked it, with nine hundred and fifty nails a-sticking into your back and stummuk and clawing the in'ards out of ye."

Squire Power was intirely overcome, and he staggered back and fell into a cheer that Reubeu had bought at an auction because it was two hundred and twenty year old, and Washington had sot into it. Margaret Ann had jest painted the back of it with some yaller daisies and a sunflower, and I yelled out as I seed the Squire a-going:

"Con't set into that cheer! It's—"

But the Squire had sot before I got the words out, and the deed was done. And, when he got up, there was that bunch of daisies and that sunflower, fortygraphed onto the back fo his coat as slick as you could mark your name onto a soap-box with a stencil-piate.

"I'll empty her out," sez Reuben, seized with a bright idee; "strange that I didn't think of it afore." And he grabbed that barrel and stood me right up on my head, rocked the barrel round fust one way and t'other, jest as if I was coal-ashes that had got wet and stuck.

"Reuben Wiggins," sez I as soon as I could speak, "if ever I git out of here, I'll make you sorry for this. You're a-running my brains all out through the top of my head."

"Bu'st off the hoops," sez the Squire, coming to the rescue. And he seized a hammer and hit the barrel a lick that sot my rhumaticks off into tantrum and nigh about blowed off the top of my skull. But the barrel caved, and I was saved.

Jest as I got out, I heerd a terrible wailing kind of a howl from Nero—that's our dog—and I knowed he was in trouble. I went out into the sitting-room, where the noise come from—and, Ideclare, I didn't know wether to laff or cry. Margaret Ann had sot that pot of prepared glue onto the table, and the dog had got up there and upsot it, and the glue had run out, and he laid down and got to sleep, and his tail had dried into the glue—and so had my ten-dollar switch of hair that I'd took off afore I begun painting and laid down there!

The table-cloth on that table was one that Mary Ann Simons worked in this 'ere kerosene-work that was so stylish jest now, and we'd either got to cut the cloth off from the the tail or cut the tail off from the cloth. It was a question of no table-cloth or a tailless dog. I did not hesertate: I grabbed the scissors, and was a-going to slash right into the cloth, when the dog—seeing no doubt how desprit I looked—give an awful howl and a frantic leap and cleared hisself—cloth false hair, and all—from the table and dashed into the front-entry right over the mess of chany and through the winder, and down the road like a streak, with that table cloth and that ten-dollar switch, warranted not dyed and all long hair, a-trailing after him like a tail to a kite.

And that chany was smashed into kindling, and we all sot after the dog a-yelling: "Git out there! git out!" And the grocery-man's clerk come out and fired at Nero, thinking he had the hydrophoby, and killed old Mrs. Mulligan's goat, that was a-lunching off the ole hoop-skirts and tomato-cans in Grigg's back-yard. And she's sued him for damidges.

And, jest as Reuben and the Squire and I and Maragret Ann had got to the front-gate, a-pursuing Nero, a carriage driv up and out stepped Arabella De Jones and Gabriel Van Robinson, her young man.

Imagine if you can, the tableau!

As they say in the five-volume novels, when they don't feel fit to describe anything, "we draw a curtin over the scene."

P. S.—Nero come back, the next day, with his tail bare of hair mostly; but I never heern anything from my switch nor the table-cover And we got Jenkins, the painter, to paint our house because we thought it would be cheaper.—*Peterson's Magazine.*

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Lending a Friend a Dress Suit and Then Telling Him it is a Servant's.

From the Chicago Herald.

Colonal A. D. Babcock, of Canton, Ill., is as well known here as at home. He has achieved a comfortable fortune and has of late been concerned with the Senator Farwell-"Ab" Taylor syndicate in building the Texas State House. He is one of the "regulars" at the Grand Pacific, which is almost as much a home to him as Canton. Another well-known character about the hotel is Dr. Osgood, who gives more time nowadays to practical joking and meterial enjoyment than to the practice of medicine. Both these gentlemen are small of stature and, despite their gray hairs, lively as any youngsters. There is constant rivalry between them as to who is the smallest, and either could ride a Shetland pony without his feet dragging. Colonel Babcock was going to take his daughters to the game dinner at Mr. Drake's hostelry, but had no dress suit. Osgood offered to loan his, which fitted the colonel perfectly. As the latter sat at table with his daughters and Colonel Taylor and other friends, looking as fine as a fiddle in the doctor's dress suit, a boy came in with a message. The document was labeled "important," and the colonel opened it with some eagerness and more embarrassment. It proved to be a letter from Dr. Osgood, in which the latter sent forth that he had just received a very importaant business call to new York and must leave in twenty minutes. The dress suit he had loaned the colonel was, he said, the property of his negro servent, who, of course, accompaied him to New York and would, of course, need his suit. The situation was a delicate one and he regretted extremely to thus embarrass the colonel, but he would, of course, appreciate the importance of sending the cloths at once by the messenger. He would suggest that the colonel slip under the tadle, disrob, and band the suit to the messenger. Then his daughter could wrap him in a napkin, lay him on a chair and smuggle him out unperceived when the feast was over.

Colonel Babcock is still looking for a chance to get even.

What Stunted the Growth of the Town.

"You wanter know what's holdin' this country back, d'ye?" said a man in Green River City, Wyo., who had a beard like a woven-wire mattress which had been struck by a cyclone and rolled together as a scroll—"you ask what's holdin' it down," he continued, as he led me over by a faro table which was not in use; "you desire information as to what's retardin' its development an' causin' it to languish by the wayside, as it were? I can tell you, stranger; I can sum it up in two words an' give it to you at one dose. It is Eastern detectives—bloodhounds of the law that drag away our most successful cit'zens!

'What can you expect of a country where the Eastern detective comes in and demands requisitions for all the leadin' cit'zens? With the icy hand of the detective laid on the Mayors of our principal cities, how can our country develop? With the Pennsylvania Sheriff sneakin' up behind the President of our National Bank and indentifyin' him, how can you look for progress?

'As long as one of Pinkerton's men can come into our otherwise peaceful and an' prosperous communities, look at a photographn an' then adjust a pair of time-lock handcuffs on the principal of our schools, how can you come among us an' ask us with a holler sneer why we don't boom?

'Stranger, what is there to induce us to git up, whoop an' develop the country, with leg-irons on the pastor of the First Babtist Church?

'Why should we invest our money in business with a Sheriff from Massachusetts an' a detective from Ohio each with separate warrants an' each on a fast hoss chasin' our Porbate Jedge across the divide?

'Why should I feel enouraged an' cheerful with the City Attorney bein' tried in North Carolina? Would you yourself feel like settlin' down in a country an' makin' a home with the Superintendent of the Union Sunday-school gittin' onto the east-bound train chained to the editor of the morning-paper?'

'My friend, I don't think you would; I am pos'tive you would not, 'specially if your didn't know but what it might be you turn next, as you prob'bly would.

'This country could never become thickly and permanently settled as long as the Eastern officer who has raked up some old charge again a prominent member of the comunity can walk in an' ply his vocation unrestrained by the strong arm of the law. As long as it is possible, while a meeting' of the leadin' cap'talists is bein' held to devise means of establishin' a woolen factory, or to raise a bonus for a new railroad, as long as it is possible on such an occasion, I repent, for a paid spy from a rival town to sneak in the back door of the hall an' yell: 'Eastern detective comin'lan' then stand and watch the President of the savin's bank an' the Circuit Judge break their legs as they fall out of the winder an' subsequently git tramped into the ground by the crowd; as long as this is poss'ble, I again say, jes' so long will progress languish.

'While a man can stand in our theater an' holler 'Fire!' an' not cause anybody to look around, an' another man can stampate the audience acrost the stage by pullin' out a paper an' a pair of handcuffs, jes' so long will our nat,rol resource remain dorment, as it were.

'That, my friend, is about all I've got to say. That is about all there is to say.'—*Dakota Bell.*

Rough on the Chaplain.

Gen. N. P. Banks tells a story about one of his army chaplains which never fails to "bring down" the G. A. R. camp-fires. The chaplains of the regiments during the war had charge of the mails for the regiments to which they were attached. The mail for the regiment of this particular chaplain had not come to hand for many days. The regiment was out of the line of communication. Every day from one half to two-thirds of the soldiers boys filed up to the chaplain's tent with such stereotyped inquires as these:

"Any mail yet, chaplain?"

"Have you heard from the mail?"

"Do you know when the mail will come?"

"What do you think is delaying the mail?"

The good man was so pestered with inquiries that he had no time to prepare his weekly sermon. He was obliged to spend all his time in explaining that he had no mail, that he had heard nothing about the mail. It occured to him that he might put an end to his troubles by a sign. Procuring the bottom of an old hard tack box he marked it with charcoal and nailed it on a tree in front of his tent so that all might see this notice:

THE CHAPLAIN DOES NOT KNOW WHEN THE MAIL WILL ARRIVE.

The next anxious inquirer who came along was a reckless young wag. He gazed for a while at the notice, and, discovering the piece of charcoal which the chaplain had dropped on the ground at the completion of the sign, he seized it and added these words:

AND HE DON'T CARE A D—N.

The chaplain took in the sign and never put out another one.—*New York Tribune.*

The Millheim Journal.

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THE Prince of Wales hasfallen in love with Sullivan's boxing and has invited the Boston slugger to give a private exhibition of his muscular talents in one of the prince's club rooms. John is getting rich and famous over on the British isle.

GLADSTONE, England's eminent statesman, and Ireland's warmest friend, is said to have overcome his dread of a voyage across the Atlantic, and has finally made up his mind to visit America next spring. He expects to spend about two months on this continent, during which time he will visit the principal cities of the United States. For the sake of his liberal views and truly paternal concern for down-trodden Ireland, the grand old man has hosts of friends in this country among the Irish as well as the Americans who will receive him warmly and make his stay pleasant.

THE latest excuse which the anthracite coal kings furnish for refusing to listen to the demands of the striking miners will not hold water. They say that for the past three years, with the *low* price of coal, they have been operating at a great loss to themselves and only since the price of coal advanced can they expect to come out as the gainers. Poor fellows, they truly deserve to be pitied. The facts in the case are, before 1883 they made money at $4.00 a ton, and since then coal has gone up while wages have held to the same status. And still these moneyed operators boldly claim that they are too poor to pay higher wages.

THE fiftieth congress which was called to order last Monday at twelve o'clock, re-elected Speaker Carlisle, and proceeded with the preliminary work of organization. Outside of the indispensible appropriations tariff legislation will be the most important task of the body. It is admitted on all hands that there must be a reduction of revenues by from fifty to one hundred millions, but nobody seems to be equal to the question how it is to be effected. The most pausible plan seems to be that advanced by Randall and his wing. They insist upon the retention of the tariff, except upon sugar, and advocate the abolition of nearly all internal revenue taxation, excepting probably whiskey. The work of organization was accomplished in a very harmonious manner and what is best of all the sound and politic address by Speaker Carlisle met the approval of all. He frankly declared that "hasty and inconsiderate legislation on subjects more or less affecting large financial and industrial interests might produce, temporarily at least, disturbances and embarrassments which a more prudent course would entirely avoid. Investments made and labor employed in the numerous and valuable industries which have grown up under our present system of taxation ought not to be rudely disturbed by sudden and radical changes in the policy to which they have adjusted themselves." That is broad statesmanship, and there is no more apprehension of a probable split of the Democratic party on the tariff question. A judicious tariff revenue reduction, as recommended by Mr. Carlisle will be heartily supported by his entire party.

POLITICS in France were running high for the past few weeks and up to last Saturday when the crisis was satisfactorily passed by the election of Sadi-Carnot, as president of the French Republic, vice Grevy resigned. The people in Paris were particularly alarmed at the ominous look of things about the time Grevy resigned, which was on the memorable 2nd of December and which threatened to be a black Friday. The movement of the revolutionary factions, the Blanquists, Anarchists, Socialists and Workingmen, were watched with much anxiety, as an outbreak was expected at almost any time. Excitement was at fever-heat and riots had taken place in several parts of the city. But on Saturday the country held its breath and all the hopes and fears centered on Versailles where the national congress met for the purpose of electing a new president. At about four o'clock in the afternoon the Speaker of the house announced the result of the electoral college and the news of Sadi-Carnot's election was hailed with wild enthusiasm. Paris and the country are again quiet and peaceful and seem, at least for the time being, well contented with their new president. A correspondent to the Sunday *Times*, Philadelphia, in commenting upon the election, writes: The National Congress held to-day in the Palace of Versailles proves that France is herself again, and following in the footsteps of the American Republic. It also proves that the French Republic is now no longer in her swaddling clothes, but has attained her majority. The election of Sadi-Carnot is the outcome of sound, common sense and patriotism of the French Republicans. It is not a victory of any faction. It is the firm deliberate resolve to maintain and accentuate the dignity and strength of the First Magistrate of the nation.

The Holiday Trade as a Barometer of the Times.

The Philadelphia *Times* of Saturday says that the holiday trade is now fairly opened and the signs are unmistakable that it will be the largest ever known in that city. The merchants are fully prepared for it, and the public are fully prepared to buy more liberally than ever before and pay more promptly than usual.

The holiday season is the unerring barometer of the prosperity or paralysis of the varied business of the country. When industry is well requited and capital fairly rewarded they prove their prosperity by the liberality they exhibit in the holiday season It is the time when the heart goes out generously for the household gods of every happy home, and where circumstances will warrant it, there are always gladdened loved ones in every domestic circle.

When seasons of adversity come, the holiday trade suffers more than any other branch of business. Holiday articles are not necessities; they are among the luxuries of life; the most commendable of all luxuries, and every class and condition has its holiday luxuries which are enjoyed with all the zest of the most opulent of the land, and often with a measure of gratification that is unknown in the homes where the entire absence of want creates satiety. Such are not to be envied, but rather pitied.

Let us not borrow trouble, but rather enjoy the general prosperity that prevails throughout all business circles, and have a happy holiday season. The garners of the country are full to overflowing: labor is generally employed at better wages than ever known considering the cost of living; capital is reasonably rewarded in all legitimate enterprise; the people are more free from debt than at any time during the last quarter of a century, and there is every reason why there should be the largest holiday trade and the best holiday enjoyment of the present generation.

Stop Costly Funerals.

The Protestant Episcopal ministers of the diocese of New York have organized an association to promote burial reform; and Bishop Potter, who is at the head of the movement, urged all religious denominations to take active measures to break up the present costly, oppressive and senseless expenditure at funerals.

In no way does vulgarity expose itself in such hideous forms as in the attempt at pomp and display in the house of mourning; and when it is remembered that in a very large majority of cases the expense of this vulgarity must be covered either by the severest self-denial or by unpaid debts, what possible excuse can there be for its continuance?

It is idie to ask the poorer and less intelligent to dispense with pomp and needless cost at funerals while those who are more intelligent and able to bear expense persist in it. Indeed, there is much excuse for the poor and the ignorant, but there is none for the intelligent and opulent. The poor, as a rule, are stronger in their domestic affection than those whose daily social life is more diffused, and they feel that they owe it to their dead to imitate as far as possible the display and ceremonies of those to whom expense is not a matter of moment.

The really intelligent and sincere portion of most communities now seek to make funerals as simple and inexpensive as can be done with propriety. They do it because they understand that their dead loved ones should be kept sacred from vulgar gaze as well as from vulgar ostentation in funeral ceremonies; but there are yet many whose intelligence should teach them better, whose funeral occasions are ostentatious to a degree that only vulgarity can properly express it.

Especially should ministers of every faith protest against the needless cost and the vulgarity of pompous funerals. All such ideas are simply relics of barbarism; they offend every attribute of sincere love and reverence for the dead; they sadly oppress the poor; they as sadly vulgarize the rich, and they should be pronounced against from every pulpit. Indeed, all funerals, except of those who command the homage of a State or nation, should be severely simple and the circle of attendants should be severely limited to the sincere offices of affection. All else is vain show, a vulgar exposure of the dead; a needless oppression of the poor, and an offense against good taste and public propriety.—*Phila. Sunday Times.*

MEETING OF CONGRESS.

Lively Scenes at the Opening of both Houses.

WASHINGTON, Dec, 2.—The senate chamber wore a fresh and tasteful appearance this morning. The floors and galleries were newly carpeted, and the desks glistened in their coat of varnish, the odor of which mingled faintly with that of the boquets and gorgeous floral devices which enlivened the picture. The desks of a great many senators, and that of the president of the senate, were elaborously adorned with flowers in various unique and tasteful forms.

Senators began to arrive and take their seats before 11 o'clock, Senators Stewart and Hiscock being the first comers. For an hour before noon the floor was a busy scene, members of both parties, their friends and the officers were taking this occasion to exchange greetings and compare notes.

The chief topic of conversation with most of those on hand was the prospect of a conflict over the admission of certain democratic senators-elect, and it early became known that the republicans, in default of any caucus plan of action, had concluded to follow the lead of their members of the committee on privileges and elections. These had been in informal consultation, it was understood, and had reached the conclusion to make no opposition to the admission of Mr. Turpie, of Indiana, but to object to the admission of Mr. Faulkner, of West Virginia, on the ground that there were conflicting credentials from that state. The general opinion was that there would be no deadlock, and that the course of opening proceedings, would not be broken.

The galleries were early crowded to overflowing. Mrs. Cleveland, clad in a custom of dark green, with Mrs. Gilder, Mrs. Kingsford and several other ladies, occupied the seats reserved for the family of the president in one of the private galleries.

The diplomatic gallery was filled by members of the various legations, the front seat being occupied by the Chinese minister, his secretaries and associates. The minister wore a magnificent robe of light blue satin and his companions were clad as richly, though in more subdued colors.

The proceedings of the day were opened with prayer by the chaplain, the Rev. J. G. Butler. He asked that the senators might be endowed with wisdom and strength to meet the honorable and trying responsibilities of the day and all the duties that gather around them. The president of the senate, Mr. Ingals, then took the chair and called the senate to order. He said he would now place before the senate his certificate of election, the certificate of appointment, and other papers received since the adjournment.

In the swearing in of senators-elect, Senator Hoar made objection to the administration of the oath to Mr. Faulkner, of West Virginia, until certain questions to which his credentials gave rise could be passed upon by the committee on privileges and elections. As a member of that committee he assured the senate that the matter should receive the immediate attention of that committee so that if the gentleman was found to be entitled to his seat, he could enter upon his duties without unnecessary delay.

IN THE HOUSE.

Long before the hour of noon the galleries of the house were crowded to their utmost capacity with spectators drawn together to witness the opening scenes of a new congress. The ladies were in the majority, and their gay costumes lent an air of animation to the chamber. On the floor members congregated and exchanged greetings and congratulations. There were very few floral decorations upon the desks of members, though Congressman. T. J. Campbell, of New York, was favored with a horseshoe of roses and carnations, the gift of the Oriential club, of New York.

At noon the clerk of the house called the body to order, and was about to call the roll when a crank in the gallery started a salvation army hymn, which he sang lustily until ejected by a doorkeeper, which was not until several minutes had elapsed, as the crowd impeded the officer in his attempt to reach the musician.

The clerk then proceeded with the roll call amid a good deal of confusion, caused by gentlemen renewing old acquaintances or forming new ones amid much talk and laughter. The pages were kept busy carrying belated bouquets and floral designs to the proper recipients.

Miscellaneous News.

Nail Works Shut Down.

HARRISBURG, December 5.—The Chesapeake Nail Works and the Central Iron Works shut down this morning for one week, owing to overproduction. This suspension will be taken advantage of to make needed repairs. There was also some trouble at Lochiel Iron Works to-day over a slight reduction of wages, but the employes decided to accept the decrease.

Perhaps New York Will Get It.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 5.—The republican national committee will meet on the 8th inst., to fix a time and date for holding the Republican National convention. Delegations from St. Louis Chicago, Minneapolis, Cincinnati, New York, Philadelphia, and Omaha will be here and some of the anvance guard have already arrived. "Anything to beat Chicago" will be the watchword of the Omaha, St. Louis and Cincinnati committee.

Judge Ellwell's Illness Serious.

BLOOMSBURG, December 5.—Owing to the continued ill-health of Judge Elwell President Judge Pershing was called from Schuylkill to-day to hold the regular session of court. The trial list is unusually large, and it is likely that extra sessions will have to be held to finish the business. Judge Elwell's indisposition is of a serious nature, and for some time past he has had to depend on the assistance of his brethren of the bench in neighboring counties.

Two Blocks of a Texas Town Destroyed by the Flames.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 2.—A fire started yesterday in T. H. Eggleston's grocery store, which soon spread to adjoining buildings and destroyed two blocks of buildings before it was got under control. The burned district is south of the business part of the city, bounded by Fourteenth street on the north Jones street on the east, Sixteen street on the south and Calhound street on the west. The Clark house, a large two story hotel, was the largest building burned.

Clerk's Fees for Wholesale Licenses.

POTTSVILLE, Dec, 5.—The Schuylkill County Court to-day decided that the fee of the Clerk of the Courtfor filing applications for wholesale liquor licenses was $5. The question is one of importance and has been agitated throughout the State, but this was the first judicial decision on it. The applicants contended that the law required them to pay but $1.55 and held that the wholsale law, which, through passed prior to, was not signed until after the retail act, and that the former did not refer to the latter in its mention of existing laws. The decision affects thousands of wholesale dealers throughout the States.

Effects of Dime Novel Reading.

WILKESBATTE, Dec. 2.—John Engle, 12 years of age, jumped from a Pennsylvania railroad passenger train last evening while it was running at the rate of 45 miles an hour. The boy was in charge of a constable. The train was stopped, and a number of persons started out to look for the boy, with the aid of lanterns, but thus far he has not been found. When he jumped the train was passing over an embankment fifty feet high, close to the Susquehanna river. Young Engle stole $150 from John Fairchild, a farmer, and when arrested had a revolver, two bowie knives and several dime novels in his possession. He said he was going west to scalp Indians.

—Who climbs too high goes to fall. If you let your cough run too long it may run into consumption and cause your death. Use Warners Log-Cabin Cough and Consumption Remedy and you will never reach that stage. Two Sizes, 60c and $1. All druggists.

An Attempt to be made to Get Jake Sharp Clear.

NEW YORK, Dec. 5.—District Attorney Martine heard to-day a report that Sharp's lawyers were going to take advantage of the recent Court of Appeal decision, that the admission in Sharp's trial of testimony before the Senate investigating committee was improper, to move that the present indictment against him be quashed, the motion to be made, according to the rumor whenever Sharps's case is called for a new trial.

PENNSYLVANIA LABOR TROUBLES.

The Lehigh Strikers Have Issued an Appeal to the Public for Aid.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 5.—The committee on appeal of the striking Lehigh Valley coal miners Sunday night issued an appeal to the public in which they relate at length the history of the many efforts of the miners during the past two years, to secure arbitration on their demands for increased wages and the positive refusal of the operators to grant the requests for a conference. They state that the officials of the Philadelphia and Reading coal and iron company met the representatives of the employes of that company, and the result was a satisfactory compromise by which the miners received an advance of eight per cent. In conclusion, the address says:

"During all this time the operators of the Middle Lehigh region, the Lehigh coal and navigation company, the Lehigh Valley company and the Mineral Mining company refused to meet committee appointed by organized labor, and resisted any claims made to an advance. All efforts to arbitrate the question on the part of the miners proved useless, and the public sympathy is now appealed to interfere in behalf of suffering labor.

WANT A NEW ORGANIZATION.

Chicago's Rebellious Knights Trying to Organize Another Order of the K. of L.

CHICAGO, Dec. 2.—The chief movers in the attempt to organize another order of Knights of Labor have issued a circular addressed to the local assemblies of the Knights of Labor in Cook county, requesting them to co-operate in reorganizing the order on an honest and substantial basis. The plan is for each assembly to refuse to pay further tribute to the general assembly unless an itemized account of the receipts and expenditures of the general assembly be presented to the local assemblies. The circular is sent out from the headquarters of the provisional committee, of which Charles F. Seib is secretary. In the preamble the members of the committee say that they wish to sever their connection with the order, because they are "indignant at the usurpation of power, the gross violations of the laws of our order by those high in authority; disgusted with those whose loyalty to the present ring has been gained by the pickings they receive as a reward for their service; incensed at the fawning sycophants who crawl on their knees in slavish submission to the most corrupt, the most hypocritical, the most autocratic and tyrannical clique that ever controlled any labor organization."

Following this all sorts of charges are made against the general officers and general assembly. It is asserted that the order is run by a ring, the members of which care nothing for workingmen. The ring, as the circular says, exists together for the purpose of holding the salaried positions.

CURED BY HEROIC MEANS.

A Sufferer from Neuralgia has the Offending Nerves Cut Out.

BOSTON, Dec. 1.—Dr. Potter, of this city, who is one of the most skillful surgeons in the country, performed a remarkable surgical operation a few days ago. The patient was a man of about fifty or sixty years of age, whose existence for many years has been simply one of torture on account of his extreme suffering from neuralgic pains in his face, or rather upon one side of it. It was decided that the only remedy—a heroic one—was the removal of the diseased nerves from the face after the patient was etherized. Dr. Porter made an incision at the angle of the jaw where it hinges into the skull. The jawbone being laid bare, the part where the mental foramen is located was trepanned or drilled away.

The doctor then proceeded to catch hold of the diseased nerve, and by a slight exertion pulled it out of the foramen. Next an incision was made under neath the eye, laying bare the nerve, which was also pulled out, or rather as much of it as the docter could get. A similar operation was performed just over the eye. In this way the greater part patients of the face, which had caused the much pain and annoyance, was removed.

The operation lasted fully an hour, and resulted in a most satisfactory manner. The whole network of nerves in the check was not destroyed, as that would be impossible, but the main diseased parts were removed, so that the patient will not probably again experience the excruciating torture of acute neuralgia in the part, although he will not have the control as formerly over that side of his face.

CONSUMPTION SURELY CURED.

TO THE EDITOR—Please inform your readers that I have a positive remedy for the above named disease. By its timely use thousands of hopeless cases have been permanently cured. I shall be glad to send two bottles of my remedy FREE to any of your readers who have consumption if they will send me their express and post office address. Respectfully,

T. A. SLOCUM, M. C.,
21 181 Pearl st., New York.

Additional Locals.

REPORT of the North Street School, for the month ending, Nov. 28th, 1887. —M. C. Gephart, teacher. No. of pupils in attendance, males 24, females 34, total 54; Per cent. of attendance during month 80, during term till date 78. Pupils present every day during the month, Albert Wetzel, Jacob Wetzel, Willie Bartley, Lizzie Geary, Emma Hoover, Mary Bartley, Ida Long, Lizzie Long, Annie Long, Sallie Snook, Ollie Snook.

REPORT of the Coburn school for the second month, ending December 5th, J. F. Garthoff, teacher: Number on roll, males 28, females 30, total 58. Average attendance, males 20, females 21, total 41. Per cent. of attendance, males 80, females 70, total 75. Names of pupils present every day during the month: Jacob Cassler, Jos. Platt, John Whitmyer, Wallace Cantner, Harry Cooney, Thos. and Nathan Hosterman, Cora Swavely and Blanche VanValin. The school had four visitors.

—CHILDREN often need some safe cathartic and tonic to avert approaching sickness or to relieve colic, headache, sick stomache, indigestion, dysentery and the complaints incident to childhood. Let the children take Simmons Liver Regulator and keep well. It is purely vegetable, not unpleasant to the taste and safe to take alone or in connection with other medicine.

—A public school teacher is credited with the statement there is no man living who knows everyone of the 75,000 words in Webster's unabridged dictionary, nor half, nor a third of them. "Nor is there a man who could define them if he were asked. Shakespeare, who had the richest vocabulary used by an Englishman, employed only 16 000 words. Milton could pick out from 8,000, but the average man, a graduate from one of the great universities rarely has a vocabulary of more than 3,000 or 4,000 words. These are American born and b ed who contrive to express all their wants and opinions in 300 words, and in the rural districts the knowledge of 150 or 200 words is sufficient to carry a man through the world So the unabridged dictionary is cluttered up with 60,000 or more technical or obsolete words that you never hear in ordinary conversation or see in ordinary books and newspapers."—*Ex.*

—John have you seen that woman ately?

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—I give honor to whom it is due. Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy cured me of Bright's disease and Gravel. Four of the best physicians had failed to relieve me. I have recommended it to scores of people with like success, and know it will cure all who try it.—Mrs. E. P. Mizner, Burg Hill, O. Send 2 c. stamp to Dr. Kennedy, Rondout, N. Y., for book how to cure Kidney, Liver and Blood Disorders. Mention this paper. 46-4t

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Loss of Appetite,
Sick Headache,
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Local Paragraphs.

—Try us for fine job printing.

—A lot of new shoes at Musser's shoe store.

—Sunday night we had a little more of the much-needed rain.

—See the change in Mussers' shoe advertisement in this issue.

—According to our Bellefonte exchanges diphtheria is prevalent there.

—Mr. G. P. Garrett, of near Rebersburg, was one of our callers last Saturday.

—Mr. Wm. Harter, of Hartleton, passed through town on Tuesday afternoon.

—The Lutherans of this place had a general cleaning of their church last Tuesday.

—Mr. Danl. W. Zeigler, of Penn Hall, paid this office a pleasant visit on Tuesday afternoon.

—Regular monthly meeting of the Millheim B. & L. Association next Monday evening.

—Sick-headache positively cured by the use of Shedd's Little Mandrake Pills. One Pill a dose.

—The butchering season has about come to a close and people can now live "on the fat of the—porkers."

—Mrs. Mary A. Cassel, of Harrisburg, was visiting relatives and friends in and around Millheim, this week.

—The year has four seasons, and during all those seasons keep a bottle of Joseph's Oil on hand. Only 25 cts.

—Mr. Smith, formerly associate editor of the *Centre County Times*, now has a position on the *Keystone Gazette*, Bellefonte.

—The best thing I ever saw for Coughs, Colds, or any irritation of the Throat is Shedd's Excelsior Cough Syrup.

—The crevices in the walls of the knitting factory are being closed with strips to make the building more air-tight.

—The town council has changed the time for its regular meetings from the first Monday to the first Saturday of each month.

—The Weiser homestead on Main street was sold the other day to Henry Zerby for $800, and the smithshop to Wm. Weiser.

—Mr. Henry Brown, of this place, left for Lock Haven on yesterday morning to take in as much of the Culvey murder trial as possible.

—Philipsburg is building a new school house that will cost $30,000 and which it is said will be the finest in the county when completed.

—Mr. Aaron Smull has been appointed administrator of the estate of Mrs. Catharine Smull, late of Miles township, deceased. See notice elsewhere.

—Mrs. Baker, of Lock Haven, a niece of Christ Woodling, of Haines township, was a visitor at Harvey Confer's residence, on Penn street, last week.

—The Lutherans of Middleburg, Snyder county, contemplate building a new church in that burg, in fact they are about making arrangements to go ahead with the work.

—An old and reliable snow prophet by the name of Daniel Noll, residing in Kelly township, Union county, predicts 29 snows for this winter, one of them having fallen.

—Try a pair of the Women's and Misses' Glove grain shoes at Mussers' shoe store. The softest and most comfortable, as well as the best wearing every day shoe made.

—On Tuesday night of last week the interior of the PackerHouse in Sunbury was damaged by fire to the extent of $3000. The twenty guests of the house escaped through the windows.

—Squire Hering and wife, Penn Hall, and Mr. Osman and other gentlemen, of Centre Hall, were noticed among the audience at Rev. Steck's lecture in the Lutheran church last Saturday evening.

—Johnny, one of JacobAlter's younger sons, is again afflicted with inflammatory rheumatism, This is the third time the young sufferer is down with that dreadful disease in the past 18 months.

—Mr. Shem Spigelmyer, of the firm of Gheen & Spigelmyer, returned to his home in Mifflinburg last week, having erysipelas in his face, which unfits him for business. We hope he will soon be able to return cured. Mr Shem Spigelmyer, Jr., is here to take his father's place in the store.

—Peter Walizer, after having been away about six months, during which time he worked at lumbering near Williamsport, is home again, a visitor at his parent's house on North street.

—Look out for bargains! The Ladies' Wraps, which Durham Bros. & Co. will open on Friday at Coburn will range in price from $1.50 to $27.00 for Seal Plush. Don't forget the time.

—Thos. Taylor's residence in Lewisburg caught fire on Thursday of last week, but by the effective work of the fire company the main building was saved. The loss is fully covered by insurance.

—A little son of Saml. Spangler, near Tylersville, fell and broke his collar bone on last Monday. The boy is about four years old and in two former instances nearly sustained a fracture of his shoulder.

—Best place to buy your meat—whether beef, pork, mutton, veal or lamb—is at Gettig & Kreamer's meat market on Main street. All orders—be they large or small, filled in the most satisfactory manner.

—According to the new law all public schools must be closed during institute week which is generally over the holidays, and school boards are obliged to pay their teachers for the time spent in attending the institute.

—In less than three weeks the old year must let go its grip and the new will be ushered in with all its hopes and expectations. Better get ready with your resolutions, provided you can manage not to break them before they are a month old.

—Mr. Malin, the telephone man from Bellefonte, was down last week and made arrangements with a number of our business men to continue the telephone exchange between Millheim and Coburn for another two years, but at a greatly reduced rate.

—Frank E. Bible, Esq., of Bellefonte, was admitted to the Centre county bar last week. We think he will find practicing law a more profitable occupation than running newspaper especially since the county administration has changed or will change hands. Success.

—T. W. Walker, one of the staunch farmers of Miles township, arises to his feet, pulls down his vest, clears his throat and says that he recently butchered two hogs weighing 391 and 456 pounds respectively. Porkers of that kind are worth a passing notice.

—We indeed hope you will all go at once to Mussers' shoe store and show your respect for the poor old man at the telephone and express your sympathy in his sad condition. You may never be sorry for having done so.

—Mr. Samuel Royer, of Idaville, Ind., spent several weeks in Nittany Valley with friends, among them Jos. Shafer. They passed through town on Saturday and called at this office a few moments, Mr. Royer for the purpose of ordering the JOURNAL sent to him.

—ALL Lung, Heart, Spine, Throat and Head affections, as well as all secret diseases of both sexes, are specialties of Dr. Clemens, the inhalation doctor. See him at the Brockerhoff House, Bellefonte, December 14th, 1887.

—Andrew Immel, of Penn street, last week returned from a two week's trip to Ohio and West Virginia, and seems highly pleased with what he saw in the old Buckeye state. Among other places he visited was Steubenville, the county seat of Jefferson, Ohio, and Wheeling, West Va.

—Mr. Samuel Otto, who had been here on a visit to relatives and friends for several weeks, will return to his home, Orbisonia, Pa., to-morrow morning. The old gentleman says he enjoyed his visit in this his former place of residence very much and will always keep a warm side for Millheim.

—Rose Pearle, the five-year-old daughter of Mr. J. A. Fiedler, editor of the *Keystone Gazette*, Bellefonte, died last Saturday and was buried on Sunday afternoon. She suffered but a few days with diptheria which finally caused her death. We offer our sincere condolences to the bereaved parents.

—We regret to learn that Mr. George Stover, of Haines township, a brother of our townsman, J. W. Stover, is suffering with a very sore hand, originating from a cut with a butcher knife. The injured hand is beeling and the whole arm is very much swollen. We hope it will not result in anything serious.

—A freight car labeled "powder," standing at a Lehigh Valley railroad station for several days, created much apprehension and people shunned it. When opened, however, it was found to contain barrels of apples. The barrels were as full as when they were shipped and the clever shipper saved himself from his loss through his ingenuity.

—Mr. D. L. Zerby, of this place, has the general agency for the Keystone Mutual Fraternal Accident Insurence company, the principal office of which association is at Wyalusing, Bradford Co., Pa. He is busily engaged in inducing people to take policies against accident, and hopes to make a successful canvass of this and Clinton county.

—Since the people of Clinton and surrounding counties are greatly interested in the proceedings and result of the Culvey murder trial at Lock Haven, the circulation of the daily papers of that city has run up several thousands. We will give our readers the news weekly in a condensed form as we glean them from the *Daily Democrat*, Lock Haven.

—The following resolution was passed by a unanimous vote at a meeting of the Centre County Grange, held at Centre Hall, on Friday, December 2, 1887:

Resolved, That the thanks of the County Grange are hereby unanimously extended to the adjutant general of the state, General D. H Hastings, for his kindness and courtesy in furnishing us the number of national guard tents requested for the accommodation of our people, at the annual picnic and exhibition, September 14th and 15th, 1887.

—First-class job work done at the JOURNAL office.

—D. S. Kauffman, the merchant, and A. A. Frank, his salesman, are both attending court this week, the former as a representative of the late firm of D. S. Kauffman & Co., a in suit with the Penns Valley Fire Insurance Company, the latter as a juror. During their absence, Mr. Frank Kauffman, who came up from Asherton last Saturday, conducts his brother's store business.

—Bills will be printed at this office this week advertising an excellent farm, containing 82 acres, with first-class buildings, situate 2 miles east of Hublersburg, and also a tract of valuable timberland, situate about one-half mile from Nittany Hall, at public sale to take place Dec 28th. The property is the estate of the late Daniel Pealer, of which Wm. Pealer, of Spring Mills, is the administrator.

—On last Thursday Mr. Aaron Ulrich butchered his pigs and when done put all his meat and sausages nicely away and in the evening, tired of work and feeling contentedat having a full larder, prepared for the night rest. It was about half-past 8 o'clock and the family were in the house not suspecting anything wrong when some scoundrel made away with most of his sausages and has not been heard of since.

PRIVATE SALE OF REAL ESTATE.—The undersigned offers his home at Kreamersville, one half mile south of Rebersburg, for sale cheap. The property consists of a lot of ground with a good two-story frame dwelling house and all necessary outbuildings erected thereon. Running water close by and good bearing fruit trees on the premises. For terms apply to or address

G. P. GARRETT,
48 3t. Rebersburg, Pa.

—The *Democratic Watchman*, Bellefonte, will in the near future be enlarged and generally improved, and for that purpose its proprietor, Hon. P. G. Meek, expects to place a new power press in his office. The paper already stands at the head of weekly county papers as a live and ably edited democratic organ, but after the contemplated change bids fair to outrival all its contemporaries. The JOURNAL wishes the *Watchman* continued prosperity.

—As the holidays are approaching we would call the special attention of business men to the steadily increasing circulation of the JOURNAL, and the consequent benefits they will derive from planting their advertisements in this paper. The issue immediately before Christmas will contain a fine holiday supplement and will be the most complete edition ever sent out from this office. See that your store or business place is represented in that issue.

—Another carload of marble for Musser & Alexander's shops in this place is on the road and will arrive in a few days. This lot is a new species, called the Georgia marble, and is celebrated for its beauty and superior quality. It is guaranteed not to soil, its smooth surface rejecting any greasy or dirty substance or fluid, even black ink. This is decidedly a great point in its favor over other marble and will make it the popular material for tombstones.

A NEW FIRM.—The undersigned wish to inform the public that after January 1st, 1888, they will conduct the undertaking business, heretofore carried on by Harter & Luse, under the firm name of Harter & Campbell, and will keep on hand a full line of coffins, caskets, trimmings, shrouds, burial robes, &c. All calls to attend funerals responded to on short notice. Office at E. C. Campbell & Son's store on Main street, Millheim. Soliciting a share of the public patronage we remain Respectfully,

JONATHAN HARTER,
47-4t S. M. CAMPBELL.

SUCCESSFUL NIMRODS.—A party of hunters, numbering ten, among them Messrs. D. A. Musser, F. P. Musser, J. H. Musser and J. W. Lose, all of this place spent the greater part of last week in the mountains hunting deer and returned on Friday with five of the fleet-footed creatures. Mr. D. A. Musser had the kindness to deliver a liberal slice of venison at the editor's house for which we return our best thanks. He also told us that so far he helped to kill eleven deer this season. With such luck it must be a pleasure indeed to be out hunting.

—John Hick, the restaurant man, started off beginning of last week to take a trip to South America, but returned on Saturday, having only got as far as New York. He says he didn't fancy the idea of a sea voyage, with its possible ups and downs and perhaps a bath in the briny deep, and concluded that the safest place was at home and on terra firma. True, it does require some nerve to put the plank of a vessel between yourself and the fathomless ocean, and it seems John's nerve wasn't there when it came to the point. Scores of others would do precisely the same thing.

—A Millheim correspondent to the *Gazette* flatly denies that the town clock has been twenty minutes fast all through the summer and makes it appear as if this paper had told an untruth. He says the clock has been keeping *excellent* time. So it has—in as much as it *excelled* the time of any and all other clocks in this neighborhood. Come now, be a man and stick to the truth. Don't think that the bare contradiction of a statement does away with cold facts. Ask those who are impartial in the matter and they will tell you exactly what this paper did as to the correctness of the town clock time.

STECK'S LECTURE.—According to prior announcement Rev. Steck, of Bellefonte, delivered his lecture in the Lutheran church in this place last Saturday evening. By special request he changed his subject, "Gilded Success," to "The Hero Recognized and Unrecognized." We would vainly attempt by our eulogies to do justice to the gentleman's merits as an orator. Suffice it to say that he kept his attentive audience spell bound for over an hour, during which time he played upon their feelings in various ways, according to the plaintive and sentimental or the fiery and thrilling strain of his language. It was a treat such as Millheim has not had in our recollection and we only regret that the turnout was small, either owing to scarcity of money, or more likely to prejudice and a lack of taste for entertainments of a higher literary character. Be that as it may, those who have had the pleasure of hearing the lecture pronounce it grand and are ready to hear Mr. Steck again whenever opportunity affords.

—GUM BOOTS! GUM BOOTS! Heavy and light weights and any make you may want, at the shoe store on Main street.

—From what we hear there is some probability of a public entertainment to be given by the pupils of the grammar department shortly before Christmas. Similar occasions in the past have always been pleasant ones and we have no doubt that, if this entertainment will come off, it will be as delightful an affair as any we have had. Let the monotony of the school room be broken for a brief spell by something that will direct the minds of the scholars into a different and agreeable channel. It may have a tendency to brighten their wit and awaken their ambitions to acquire a higher degree of knowledge.

—One of the finest and most telling sermons that Millheim people have had the privilege of listening to for several years was preached by Rev. Steck last Sunday evening in the Luth. church. The gentleman had been prevailed upon to remain in town over Sunday, the guest of Mr. S. D. Musser, and in the evening kindly consented to fill Rev. Deitzler's pulpit. He spoke to a large and interested audience, chosing for his text the words contained in the eighth verse of the 103d Psalm. His remarks were highly edifying and could hardly fail to make a lasting impression on all his hearers. His admonitory reflections at the close of the discourse were especially calculated to touch the hidden chord of faith in every unconverted heart. Sermons of that type, we think, should tend to create serious thoughts in the minds of all.

MENSH'S ACCIDENT.—The mistortune which befell our townsman, Mr. Geo. Mensh, in Bellefonte, has caused more universal regret among our people than any other similar visitation has in years. It will be remembered that Mr. Mensh, when he first took the joo as brakeman on the railroad about two months ago, had one of his fingers crushed which accident necessitated his laying off for several weeks. On Monday he resumed his duties on the road when he met with the sad accident which aroused the sympathy of all who know him. A coupling pin or iron rod of one of the freight cars struck him in the dark, nearly penetrating his head and lacerating his face in a frightful manner. Mensh is by no means rich in this world's goods and his ill luck sets hard on his family. He is said to be doing as well as can be expected under the circumstances.

SAD AND FATAL ACCIDENT.—On last Thursday Mr. John Lengle, residing in the Mountains, southwest of here, near the mountain church, was out felling trees when his axe glanced off, striking his leg between the knee and the ankle and severing one of the main arteries. He was alone and about a mile from his home and no other habitations being near he attempted to reach his own dwelling, but failed. It seems the unfortunate man had not the presence of mind to stop the flow of blood by bandaging the wound but dragged himself along until too weak and died in the hands of some hunters to whose camp he had managed to get, about two hours after the thing had occurred. The men carried Mr. Lengle's body to his home, where a grieved wife and six children now mourn his sad death. He was a well-built, healthy man, about forty-eight years of age, and earned a livelihood by hard bone labor. His funeral took place on Sunday and was largely attended. Deceased was a brother-in-law of our townsman, W. N. Auman, and a brother of Miss Jane Lengle, of this place.

THE MILLHEIM BOY AGAIN.—It is still an open question whether the small fry in this borough will ever be endowed with that priceless trait, common sense, and learn the first lessons of decency and decorum. The smart (?) trick which was played during services in the Lutheran church on last Sunday evening almost convinces us that some of our young fellows are simply beyond hope as far as good behavior is concerned. It was a very dark night and a number of people had brought their lanterns along, which they left in the vestibule, expecting to use them on their homeroad. When after the services they went to light them they found the wicks turned down below the burners and were considerably delayed in repairing the mischief done. As usual, the miscreants are unknown, and they can thank their stars for it. Some plan should be adopted either by the local authorities or by the church members to break up the habit of loafing around church doors and in the vestibules. We think that if each congregation would appoint its private detective with orders to guard against all loafing and loitering around the church premises, and empower him to arrest those who are caught in such acts as the one referred to above, it would effectually stop the annoyances which our people are subjected to by our *smart* young men.

THE CULVEY MURDER TRIAL.—In the Clinton county court on Monday the case of the commonwealth against Luther Shaffer, John W. Johnson, Henry Kline and Essic Kline was called. The defendants are charged with committing the double Colby murder at Cherry Run last August. Separate trials were granted the prisoners, and Luther Shafer was set down by the district attorney as the first to stand trial for the murder of Colby. After many challenges a jury was chosen. The hearing of evidence began Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The names of the jurors are as follows: Emanuel Robbins, farmer, Pine Creek; John Pfaff, farmer, Chapman township; Frank Barnhart, laborer, Colebrook township; Miles Caldwell, laborer, Bald Eagle township; Samuel Smith, laborer, Third ward Lock Haven; Thos. Burke; William Eyer, farmer, Beech Creek; Frank A. Heydrick, Fourth ward Lock Haven; Frederick Amm, farmer, Green township; Jacob Messerly, laborer, Dunstable township; Charles H. Shoemaker, clerk, Second ward Lock Haven; George Iler, carpenter, Dunstable township.

District Attorney Brown opened the case for the Commonwealth on Tuesday morning by stating to the jury the nature of the case, telling how the victims had been found, and giving a full history of the murder.

Mr. Brown stated that the evidence would be circumstantial, but he thought it would be found strong enough to enable the jury to render their verdict without much trouble. That Luther Shafer sold the Isaiah Culvey watch to a jeweler at Renovo would be proved among the evidence given.

John Culvey was the first witness sworn and his testimony taken. F. J. David, the surveyor, was the next sworn, and he explained maps and drafts made of the place where the murder had been committed.

Mrs. Anna Culvey, mother of the murdered man, and wife of John Culvey was next sworn and called on the witness stand. Charles Culvey, aged 14 years, Solomon Peck, of Walker twp., Centre Co., Abram Stein, Lock Haven, Dr. R. Armstrong and Dr. A. G. Walls, also of Lock Haven, and Samuel Caris, of Tylersville, were then heard as witnesses and the court adjourned until 2 o'clock, p. m.

Local Correspondence.

AARONSBURG.

Robert Tomlinson, son of Rev. J. Tomlinson, of Abbottstown, Adams Co., Pa., is at present visiting friends at this place.

Albert Stambach and family returned to their home, Lock Haven, last Monday.

Several of our citizens attended the lecture delivered by Rev. Steck at Millheim on last Saturday evening.

There is at present a protracted meeting in progress in the Evangelical church on North 2nd St., Rev. Swengle, preacher-in-charge.

Rev. Stambach lost a valuable horse by the cars running over him at Fowler station on last Friday.

Rev. Deitzler is off to McClure, Snyder Co., to assist in dedicating a new Lutheran church.

The street lamps in front of the Journal store and Daniel Zeigler's residence should be lit on nights as dark as last Sunday night and another lamp should be placed midway between the Journal store and the Lutheran church. Penn street would then be well lit up for church going people. [You are right, Mr. correspondent, but not why commence at home with reform?—Ed.] *

COBURN.

Quite a number of people went to Bellefonte on Monday to attend the second week of court.

The lecture in Millheim on Saturday evening as far as the lecturer went was a grand success, but financially did not amount to much and goes to show that a lecture is not appreciated in this section by most of the people. To those who did attend the parties having it in charge return their thanks for the attendance.

The slaters arrived this forenoon and are now slating the roof of the new church which when finished will be all that will be done until next spring.

Geo. Mensch was badly injured on Monday last while coupling cars near Bellefonte. An iron rod projected from one end of the car and being dark could not be seen. The rod was pushed into his head on the right side and made an ugly and painful wound. At this writing he is getting along nicely.

On Tuesday the freight train going east was wrecked at Pardee, breaking up several cars but injuring no one. The wreck caused the passenger train to be several hours late.

W. H. Kremer smiled a broad smile on Monday forenoon and said it was only a girl.

Grace Kremer was visiting in Mifflinburg this week. VALE.

GREENBRIAR.

Wilmer Kerstetter is making his home with Wm. Stover this winter.

John Herb spent last Sunday in Clintondale with his wife.

Miss Ella Neese, after having sojourned for some time in Nittany Valley with her sister, has returned home again.

Lettie Growel is home from Bellefonte. The Bellefonte air don't seem to agree with her.

Things look some better since the filling up around the walls of the mountain school house. Let the good work go on. There is still room for improvements.

Reuben Bracht and his sister Lizzie spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in Sugar Valley.

A member of the "skunk society" was mean enough to throw a decayed chicken in the public well in this place thereby making the water unfit for use.

Stealing in Dogtown still continues.

A certain individual, not a thousand miles from here, who seems to be one of those chronic grumblers, claims that the Greenbriar items do the JOURNAL more harm than good. We fear that is all the gentleman knows about it. We know that the JOURNAL is gaining ground around here and we are assured that it is welcome wherever it is taken. As far as we can learn the person spoken of don't get the JOURNAL or any other newspaper and that accounts for a great deal of his talk.

Mr. Aaron Ulrich has improved his home by placing a new fence around it. But the new fence didn't keep out the bold thief who entered through the back window of his shop on Friday evening and helped himself to half the sausages which had been made that day. Mr. Ulrich thinks he knows the thief and advices him to return the stolen sausage.

Mrs. John Garey had a bad fall last Thursday. She was unconscious for over two hours and at this writing is still unable to walk.

The teacher of our mountain school requests parents not to listen to the malicious falsehoods being spread about him, but to come and see for themselves.

Mr. John Lengle, from near the mountain church, who lost his life on last Thursday by bleeding to death from a wound which he inflicted while cutting down trees, is a brother-in-law of our townsman Frank Auman. He leaves a wife and six children.

Mr. Wesley Jones came home from Bellefonte to stay.

Miss Chestie Wilson, of Nittany Valley, is visiting her many friends around here.

The Reiters moved into their new house which had been building for a couple of years on last Monday.

Mr. J. C. Stover is again in the poultry business. He has now on hand and ready for the eastern market 2200 pounds of turkeys and about 400 pounds in ducks and geese.

Two Coburn nimrods were out hunting last week but lost themselves in the woods, about half a mile south from Greenbriar. It looked as if they had been *spirited* away.

Master Frank Wingard, one of the scholars at Liberty thought he would have some fun with a cartridge shell one day last week. He loaded it with powder and ball with the intention of shooting it through a board. But the thing went off before he was ready and the result is a blackened and scorched face. It might have been worse. Frank thinks he will hereafter be content to play with empty cartridges.

Simon Rhoads, with his usual good luck, killed a big buck while out hunting last week. Perry Wingard, who has been hunting for the past eight years and never hit anything, because, as the people say, he couldn't, get down to business for once and shot a five-pronged buck weighing 200 pounds and a doe that dressed 85 lbs. The latter he sold for $25. The whole party got five deer, and Perry says I killed two of them and didn't get the buck fever either.

YOUNG HICKORY.

WOODWARD.

Andrew Moyer at the sale of the Henry Vonada estate bought the western tract of land which contains very fine timber. He intends having it sawed during the summer.

J. B. Ard, of Pine Grove Mills, has been visiting for the past few days at his brother's, Dr. Ard.

C. W. Hosterman is engaged in the poultry business.

Our farmers have again resumed plowing.

Our festivities which were to take place during the holidays do not seem to have the proper encouragement to ensure their success. ARGENTI.

SPRING MILLS.

The surroundings of the new Methodist church have been greatly improved by removing the rubbish and grading the ground.

Quite a party of our young men are out in the mountains hunting this week and we may reasonably infer that venison will be cheap in the near future.

W. R. From, our miller, is busy night and day. He is running the mill to its full capacity.

Louisa Miller, who has been visiting friends at Lock Haven for the last few weeks is again at home.

Daniel Runkle is visiting his daughter at Lock Haven and at the same time will take in the court trial of the Culvey murder case, coming off in that city this week. *

REBERSBURG.

George Guiswite has a gang of men at work on his lately purchased land, the upper part of the Walker farm along the pike.

James Gramley and Austin Gramley sold some woodland to Guiswite & Co., who are now busy making logs.

Clara Slatherbeck is at present on the sick list. Uriah Slatherbeck, who was down with pneumonia, is able to be ground again.

Clark Gramley's child, aged 6 months, died on last Thursday.

The Evangelicals will have quarterly conference in this place on next Saturday and on Sunday will celebrate the Lord's supper. On Sunday evening they will start a protracted meeting.

Wm. Kreamer, Dan'l Royer and Jasper Brumgard each sold a valuable horse last week.

Zwingli Bower, of this place is at present visiting friends and relatives in Nittany valley. NANOD.

POE MILLS.

Treasurer D. R. Kulp, of Shamokin, was here on Thursday. He was shown one-eyed John's photograph which was taken the other day. One of his pictures will be sent to his kind master, J. B. Kitchen, Shamokin.

Supt. John Grubb was home to Milton over Sunday to see his better half. No doubt he had to give an explanation of the signal given on the mountain.

Last Friday evening one of the Poe Valley mule drivers was up to the swamp poodle camp to trade. The boys traded a camel on an ox and got a mule to boot. Not so bad. The ox is in splendid trim for dry beef.

John Slifer and two of his Johngarians were repairing the P. L. road. Fritz has some great night attractions on Main street of late. It must be hard on his eyes. We noticed a pair of glasses on the upper part of his face.

Ed. Campbell, one of the Swamp Poodle boys, had an exciting time last Saturday morning. While going up Poe Mountain, whom should he meet but Mr. Bruin. The bear sat in the middle of the road and introduced himself with a loud growl and showed fight. The camel felt so small that he could almost have passed through a needle's eye.

Camp Higgins, over at Buzzard's Glory, was badly disappointed the other day. Supt. Higgins had ordered a barrel of sugar, but when he opened it it was filled with coal. We never liked black sugar in our coffee. Such stuff we feed our donkey on cold mornings.

Hairy Frank Luckenbach and Patty Rhine were to Millheim last Saturday to get their pictures taken. Hairy Frank intends to leave this neck o' woods.

This week we had a peep show. One cent for a peep at the peeper.

That item in last week's Poe Mills letter about the sausage must have moved that kind-hearted woman, Mrs. Burd, for she sent us about four yards of the finest sausage and some pudding to our camp. You ought to have seen the hungry gather around the table to sample the Burd sausage. Such good hearted women are wotrh having and suppose that is exactly what our chief of police thinks. We are ever so much obliged.

Last Friday the king of all the logs came to the tram road. That piece of timber was kind of a sticker for the boys. It required eight head of mules and four drivers to trail "old dad." The log was 56 feet long and 24 inches thick at the top.

Last week Harry Deibler, James Smith and Saml. Weiser, all of Millheim, sent some very fine oil paintings to the Swamp Poodle camp. The boys are ever so much obliged for the paintings.

Poe Mills always ahead and our women seem to take the lead. We had a female superintendent, carpenter, two quack doctors and this week a female shingle packer and shoe maker enter the field. Suppose next will be a female squire and a hog constable.

A lively time over at Buzzard's Glory. A wounded deer came along and reached the little settlement. One of the female population spied the deer and gave the signal for a general chase. She was joined by three others and they got down to business. The one was equipped with a gun, that wasn't loaded, another had the powder horn the third had an old garden rake and the other acted as guide. The deer was run toward Cuppy's; when he caught sight of the deer, he got the buck fever, and, using a board, shot the deer on the head. It dropped and he sprang on it and tried to cut its throat with a pine knot. He was just congratulating himself that he had the deer for sure, and was about dividing the spoils with the four women, when the hunters who had shot the deer came and claimed their own. They gave a small portion to Cuppy and the four women. Poor Cuppy had a fearful night dreaming of deer and the dear ones at home. CALIFORNIA JACK.

DIED,

On the 1st inst., at Rebersburg, Pa., Roy Miller son, of Clark and Kate Gramley, aged six months. Services conducted by Rev. Dotterer.

Millheim Market.

Corected weekly by A. J. Campbell, Agt., Coburn, Pa.

GRAIN, &c.	
Red Wheat	80
White "	77
Rye	50
Barley, No. 1	50
" No. 2	40
Corn, old	45
Oats	28
Roller Flour	1.30
Common Flour	1.15
Salt, per barrel	1.40
" " sack	75

Wheat mixed with Rye bought at rye-weight and price.
Ground Plaster, $9.00 per ton.

COAL.	
Small stove	$5.40
Large "	5.40
Egg coal	5.25
Pea coal	5.40
Chestnut coal	5.25
Soft coal	3.00
(Special prices to lime burners.)	

PRODUCE.	
Butter	18
Eggs	20
Hams	14
Sides	6
Veal	4
Pork	5
Beef	50
Potatoes	8
Lard	

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MAN AT THE TELEPHONE.

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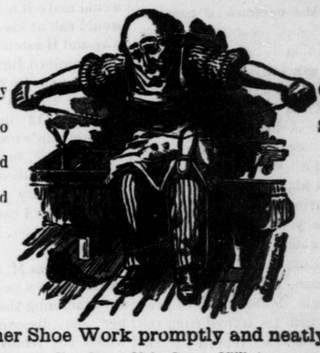

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DAYS OF THE PLATFORM.

When Distinguished Lecturers Spoke Their Pieces for a Moderate Sum.

In the early days of the platform the most distinguished lecturers seldom received more than $50 a lecture, exclusive of expenses, and they usually visited large towns within a given territory. They traveled with comfort, put up at good inns, when they did not accept private hospitality, and were generously treated in every respect. But, as time went on, and the business increased, their field expanded, and great fatigue and hardship had to be incurred. Prices were much higher; but they were hardly in proportion to the augmented labor and trials. Lecturers were expected to journey far beyond the Mississippi into wild regions, where accommodations of every sort were the scantiest and poorest. As they had to make close connections, and as the most active season was in winter, early rising and dressing in cold rooms, waiting at comfortless railway stations, and staying at miserable taverns, combined with uninterrupted hard work, irregular meals and severe nervous strain, was such a draft on strength and health that few constitutions could endure it. Many lecturers were obliged to relinquish their calling altogether, more to confine their engagements to a limited area, while not a few were so broken down that they never recovered. Those who had been long in the field say that there is no toil equal to it, that it is the most arduous way of earning money with which they have any acquaintance.

Dr. Holmes still spontaneous and brilliant in his 79th year, was a favorite lecturer before the war, but found the strain and drain on his nervous system altogether too great for his healthful though delicate organization. He knew that if he did not give up lecturing it would give him up; consequently, for a quarter of a century he has refused to be again beguiled into the field by the most flattering offers. He owns his longevity to his extreme care of himself in every way. He enjoys life so keenly that he is unwilling to surrender any particle of it which he can retain by the exercise of constant vigilance.

Dr. J. G. Holland had a superb constitution and exceptional health, which failed suddenly, and during the last years he suffered much. He always ascribed his break down to the exhaustive toil of itinerant lecturing.

Bayard Taylor, who had a fine physique, so spent his early force by a long period of lecturing that he passed away in comparative youth, when his prospects were brightest and his reputation was steadily rising.

John B. Gough, though he lived to a good age, would doubtless have lived much longer had he retired from the rostrum. He had had repeated warnings, but he did not heed them. He paid the penalty of wronging nature and disregarding prudential considerations.

Henry Ward Beecher would probably have been alive to-day but for his persistency in lecturing. No man has had a more vigorous body, with more abounding health; but he would make long and tiresome journeys, lecturing all over the country and in Great Britain, and this, with the numberless other tasks he set himself, killed him at 73, though his father, whose ruggedness he inherited, lived beyond 87.

Wendell Philips, George William Curtis, James Parton, Parke Goodwin, Donald G. Mitchell and many other of the early lecturers were obliged to surrender lecturing, to any extent, on account of the injury it did their health. They declare that the most rugged constitution will yield to the extraordinary tension after a number of years, and their experience has clearly demonstrated their opinion to be correct.—*Junius Henri Brown in Globe-Democrat.*

The Food of the Aristocracy.

Some startling revelations have recently been published in Paris as to the materials of French cookery, and especially of Parisian butter. A correspondent sends the following story, of which he guarantees the accuracy, as to a not dissimilar state of things in London:

I happen to know a man who makes a living by collecting the rancid butter and dirty butter scrapings from the butter-shops, and then retailing them to West-end confectioners. The other day I met him wheeling a truck-load of the loathsome-looking stuff along the Bayswater road.

'Hullo!' exclaimed I, 'what in the name of goodness have you got there?' for really I could not tell from the look of it, it was so dirty and discolored, while the stench it gave out when I went up to it, was something fearful.

'Oh, he replied, with quite a business air, 'it's offal.'

'But what kind of offal? It smells almost bad enough to knock you down.'

'Why, butter offal.'

'Indeed! Do you mind telling me what you do with it?'

'Make it into lumps, and then take it round to the confectioners.'

'The confectioners! What do they want it for? It would poison a dog.'

'Perhaps so,' responded my friend, with something very much like a grin; 'but, none the less, it don't poison the aristocracy.'

'What do you mean?'

'Why, that it's used in the pastry fal-de-lals they're so fond of.'

'But not as it is, surely!'

'Oh, no! They first purify it in some way.'

Not on an Empty Stomach.

Anxious Arkansaw mother—'Tommy, is that green persimmon you air eatin'?'

'Yes, maw.'

'Don't you know it ain't healthy to eat green persimmons on an empty stomach?'

'I ain't eatin' this green persimmon on an empty stomach. I ate a peck of 'em before I tackled this one.'—*Texas Siftings.*

BUSTLES OF SMUGGLERS.

They are Now the Popular Hiding-Place for Small Dutiable Articles.

Since Surveyor Beattie began to appoint women as inspectors of customs, more attempts at smuggling have been detected than ever before, says the New York *World*. The women have shown great zeal and aptitude for the work, and the male inspectors, in order to make as good a record, have been exhibiting more activity than usual. The newest expedient for smuggling is the bustle. The bustle now required by fashion is a capacious structure of wire and ocean travelers of the gentler sex who desire to escape customs duties have adopted the expedient of filling their bustles with merchandise. Deputy Collector McClelland said recently that bustles were becoming the burden of his life. It seemed as is every third woman arriving from Europe had her bustle filled with dutiable goods, and he was nearly distracted.

There was a large number of seizure cases reported the other day. It seems that nearly every woman who goes to Europe brings back a meerschaum pipe for some male friend. In the bustle of Fraulein Charlotte Weinmann, a passenger on the steamer Trave, Inspectress Westoner discovered two meerschaum pipe-bowls. Inspectress Lily R. Brierback found in the bustle of Mrs. S. H. Harbridge, a passenger on the steamer City of Chester, two meerschaum pipes and one cherrywood pipe. On Fraulein Weinmann's person and in her baggage were also found thirty yards of silk, thirteen yards of velvet, thirteen yards of satin, fifty yards of linen, three silk shawls and many other articles of value. Some of the stuff was concealed in her bustle. Around Mrs. Harbridge's waist were found two pieces of cashmere and another piece was found sewed in the lining of her skirt. In the bustles and on the persons of the Misses Evans, who arrived on the Rhineland from Antwerp, were found silks and velvets.

J. Bierman, who arrived on the steamer Trave, declared he had no dutiable goods. He was met on the dock by a friend, who approached Inspector G. Scherman and told him that if he would pass Bierman's trunks that gentleman would make it all right with him if he would call at his office, corner of Broadway and Huston streets. The inspector examined Bierman's trunks, which were found to contain the following dutiable articles: 7 books, 2 boxes of medicine, 12 linen sheets, 3 cases draughtman's instruments, 6 tablecloths 1 needle-case, 36 linen napkins, 12 towels, 1 pocket-book, 72 linen handkerchiefs, 6 fancy handkerchief boxes, 7 boxes of toys, 1 card-case, 1 looking glass, 70 pieces ribbon, 15 dolls, and 12 umbrellas.

Inspectress M. S. Wilson also made a seizure from a passenger on the Trave. On examining the trunk of Miss Wagner she discovered a false bottom, which she removed, and below were found the following articles: Three yards cotton velvet, 3 pieces of silk, containing 18¼, 17½ and 21 yards respectively, 1 gold watch and 1 gold bracelet. Miss Wilson then took the lady to a private room and searched her, and found 8 yards of woolen dress-goods concealed on her person.

Influencing a Judge.

The poet Milnes had a mind of penetrating sagacity and brilliant intuitions. He was one day told, by a friend, of the grief of a poor laundress, whose little boy had wandered off to a common near London, and there with another lad, mounted an old horse grazing there, and taken a ride, only to be arrested for horse-stealing. The laundress had engaged counsel for her son, but was in great doubt as to the issue of the case. When the matter was suggested to Milnes, his fertile mind was at once ready with an expedient.

'How old are the boys?' he asked, and was told that they were about eleven.

'Then,' said he, tell the laundress take care that they both appear at the trial in nice clean pinafores.'

The effect was almost magical. The two little boys, in their nice pinafores, appeared in the dock, and smilingly gazed around the court.

'What is the meaning of this?' asked the judge, who had read the deposition, and now came under the spell of the pinafores.

'A case of horse-stealing, my lord.'

'Stuff and nonsense!' said his honor, with indignation. 'Horse-stealing, indeed! The boys sole a ride!'

The pinafores had almost an ovation in court, and all who had anything to do with the prosecution were obliged to suffer from the Judge's indignant comment.

The Kid at the Theatre.

A child that can only squall, in a theatre is preferable to another larger child of a kind one sometimes sees. It's generally a female child. A female child from its earliest days recognizes the privileges of the sex and takes all sorts of advantages. The mothers always teach them that they are "little girls," and the little boys must not hurt them, and some of them in consequence become terrors early in youth. We have seen the child that wanders all around a theatre and looks up at you and everybody with a bland, childish curiosity, and her thumb in her mouth. She has no seat generally. She's under age, and her father and mother bring her to the theatre between them, and she gets off in the middle of the play and wanders about. She has a knack of being partial to sweetmeats. She seems to know instinctively when she strikes a pair of young lovers, and she slides up and swings herself on one foot and then on the other, and the fellow looks confused and the girl pats her on the head, hoping that will drive her away. But it dosen't. She accepts the familiarity and gets on the girl's knee, and the young pair look furtively at one another as if to say:

"Great heavens! If there should be somebody here who knows us and think this is ours."

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HE PAID THE MONEY.

A Good Joke Which Enriched the Empty Treasury of a Church.

It is not always an advantage to bear a striking resemblance to another man, even if he is a good-looking one and rich in the bargain, and as a matter of fact such a resemblance may often result in serious complications. A gentleman of this city, says the Providence (R. I.) *Journal*, has just gone through such an experience, and now he vows that he will let his hair grow long and look like Arizona Joe, if necessary, but he will not be taken for some other fellow again or have any one taken for him. A short time ago a clergyman who had been only a short time in the city was soliciting subscriptions for the purpose of making certain repairs upon the church he was connected with. He met with much success, and finally remembered that he had not yet interviewed one of his most earnest disciples. A few days later he met, or thought he met, this gentleman on the street, and determined to ask him for a subscription. After the usual salutations the clergyman said: 'My good sir, several of your friends have advised me to apply to you for aid in our noble work, and, Mr. —— (calling him by the name of the other member of the church who resembled him), they think you will give us one hundred dollars.' The gentleman, who is somewhat of a humorist, saw a chance to play a joke on his friend, and he replied: 'Certainly! With pleasure; you can put my name down for one hundred dollars.'

A few days passed and the clergyman thought he would call upon his generous member and collect the money. He accordingly went to the office of the man whose name he had on his list and found him in. 'Good day, Mr.——,' said the clergyman; 'I was going by, so I thought I would stop in and get the money you so kindly subscribed!' 'Money! What money?' asked the astonished merchant. 'Why, the one hundred dollars you put your name down for last Thursday.' For a few seconds the merchant hesitated, but he remembered, to his shame, that for several days he had been on something of a "spree" from which he had just recovered. He at once concluded that while under the influence of Bacchus he must have put down his name for the amount and forgotten all about it. Rather than confess his weakness before his pastor he pulled out his checkbook and filled out a blank for one hundred dollars and paid it over to the unsuspecting divine. The perpetrator of the joke heard of the affair a few days later, and thought it was too good to keep, so he told a few friends, and it was not long before it reached the ears of the real subscriber. Whenever the two friends met now the man who paid says to the man who put up the job: 'Say, it's a pretty good joke, but I think you ought to give me fifty dollars and divide the expense.' The expense has not yet been divided, the church is a hundred dollars richer, and the clergyman does not know the true inwardness of how he got his money.

GIRLS WHO COURT BEAUTY.

How some Women Preserve their Good Looks—Exercise Does Much.

From the San Francisco Post.

The handsomest woman I ever saw was one who took great care of her health. When I knew her she was over thirty, but no girl of sixteen that I have ever seen had rosier cheeks or brighter eyes. Of course she was naturally fine looking, but the attention she gave to matters of hygiene added to and preserved her beauty. What did she do? I don't know that I can recount all, but I remember her telling me she took a sponge bath every morning; was particular about the ventilation of her apartments: took long walks when she could; ate but little meat, much fruit and cereals; whenever she could get them. Another thing she did which she tried without success to get me to do, she drank her coffee without milk or cream, diluted with water.

The reason she took her coffee so was because her physicians told her it was healthier to drink it in this way. Whether the practice added to her personal charms or not I don't know. On the whole she was certainly repaid for her systematic habits, and as certainly there was nothing arduous about the performance of them. Nor was there anything bizarre about them as, it seems to me, there is about the following account I read of a Chicago belle:

"To keep the suppleness of her figure she stands one hour daily, fifteen minutes at a time, with her hands on her hips before a long mirror, and bending her knees out from each other she sinks slowly down to the floor as low as possible, then as slowly upraising, meantime moving her arms in any direction to their utmost length, out or up, forward or back, until when she stands erect they are ready to be placed on her hips again.

"Each movement is repeated, every time a little accelerated, until at the end of thirteen minutes it is done quickly, and a fine color is on her cheek. She then lies down on a perfectly flat couch, without a pillow, until her breath comes smooth and regular, as it will in the two minutes left in her quarter of an hour. When she plays a good deal of tennis she cuts down her exercising one half.' Of course, the benefit to be derived from this procedure is not to be questioned, whatever may be thought of it besides. It is easy to see her whole body thus receives good exercise, added to the grace of her own form, beautifying her complexion and making her stronger and healthier.

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THE LATEST IN COFFINS.

Some of the Ingenious Methods by Which Paper is Being Utilized.

"Here is a very neat style of coffin," remarked a manufacturer of such articles. "It is the latest thing out and is really quite popular."

The coffin did not seem to be different from the ordinary kind of casket. It was plain in style and finished in rosewood, beautifully marked. The handles were of solid silver, and the inside was handsomely covered with cushioned trimming of white silk, neatly quilted. It was evidently a coffin that any modest man of simple tastes could offer no objection to being buried in.

"What do you think of it?"

"It is a very neat sort of a coffin, but I don't see anything remarkable about it."

"Lift one end of it."

The reporter arched his back, grasped the handles firmly and put his strength into a great lift. The casket rose as though it were made of painted air, so light was it, and the experimentor narrowly escaped falling on his back.

"It feels as though it were made of paper. How do you make them so light?"

"It is made of paper," answered the manufacturer; "compressed paper. It is cheaper than wood, can be pressed into shape, is more durable and can be made much more quickly and easily. The veneering is of another piece of paper, very thin, which is painted to resemble wood, by machinery. When the coffin is put together it is varnished and trimmed and then it is ready for occupancy."

"How did you happen to invent it?"

"I didn't invent it, but almost any one ought to have done so. Paper has been used for car wheels for years past. Doors are now made of the same substance. Two thick paper boards, stamped and moulded into panels and glazed together with glue and potash, and then rolled through heavy rollers, and coming into use. They are better than wood, in that they will not shrink, swell, crack or warp. They are made water-proof with a mixture."

"Boats are also made of paper," continued the manufacturer; "and for certain kinds of racing they are better even than the ordinary kind of wood, and far cheaper.

"You will soon make your whole coffin out of paper?" suggested the reporter.

"We are not far away from that now," replied the maker. "They are making window glass from linen or cotton, modified by chemical action. When the glass is made it is dipped in a preparation of camphol alcohol, which gives it the character of parchment. It can then be molded and cut into transparent sheets that are remarkably tough and can stand double the strain of the ordinary glass. Yes, sir, it will not be long before not only coffins for the dead, but the houses for the living can be made from the foundation to the roof entirely out of paper. Who says we are not an inventive race?"

Boxing the Ears.

Dr. Samuel Sexton says on the subject of boxing the ears, he has upon his records fifty-one cases in which the ears have been injured by blows of the hand or fist. Of these thirty-one were males and twenty females. Of the males thirteen had been boxed upon the right ear, thirteen upon the left and three upon both ears. One was kicked by a companion upon the left ear while bathing and the right ear of another was injured by having the head violently squeezed between the hands of another person. Of the females four were struck upon the left ear and six upon the right. Five of the women were assaulted by their husbands. Of the entire number eight were boxed in play, four by school teachers, two by parents, and one, a fervent lover, by his sweetheart. Several cases occurred among pugilists, and others were due to assaults and brawls. The nature of the injuries varied to a considerable degree. One had inflammation in the ear, suspicion of intracranial trouble. He had had a running of the ear for twelve years, following a blow upon that organ. He subsequently died of brain disease. In another case the ear became inflamed, and the hearing was very much impaired. In still another instance the patient was slapped by his father upon the left ear. Immediate pain and deafness followed, with a bloody discharge from the ear. It was three months before this case recovered. The dangers to which Dr. Sexton calls attention are so grave that parents, teachers and others should never punish those committed to their charge by boxing the ears.

American Courtship and Age.

If I were a young man, especially if I were handsome and had a generous "old man" at my back with a liberal pocketbook, I should prefer to live in America to any other place on earth. But I should take good care not to get old, for this is a country where old men and women invariably take a back seat. Sometimes they are not even allowed the comfort of any seat at all. It is only here that I find old men and women are servants of the healthful youth of either sex. It seems to be a common law among the people here to raise and support children as sumptuously as their means permit, and continue to support them even long after they are able to earn their own living. But when it comes to the old people's turn sentiment seems to dwindle down almost to zero. In society the young are the centre of attraction. They are the blooming flowers. The old people are shut up in the kitchen behind the doors.

What a muss the people of this country make of their love business. Are the understandings of the American youth obtuse? It frequently takes years of their valuable time to whisper ardent love to each other, and frequently, at the very last moment, they suddenly find out that they did not love each other at all. "They were simply trying to find out each other's peculiarities." Occasionally these courtings actually terminate in marriage, but as a rule, the love-making business is then over. Therefore, the only next interesting thing between them is a quarrel and a divorce.

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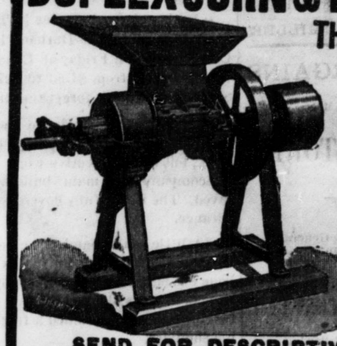

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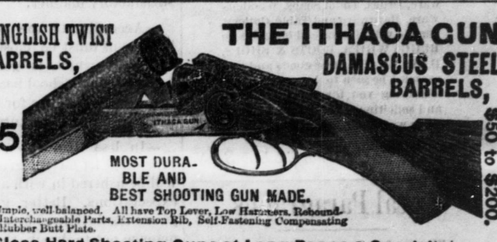

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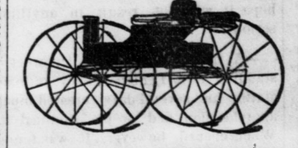

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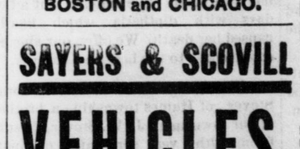

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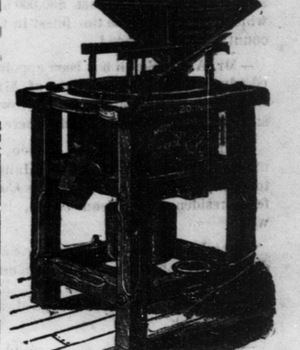

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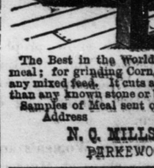

OVER 150,000 Now in Use.

$60,000 worth sold last year.

Largest Barrel Churn Factory in the world.

It makes more butter, a superior quality of butter, a harder, better grained butter, than any other churn sold.

NO Churn works so easily. Churn cleans so easily.

It keeps out cold air; it keeps out hot air; it is perfect, so they all say.

Ask your dealer for the "Palmer Boss Churn," and if he does not keep it, send to us for circular and testimonial letters